

Goldsboro Weekly Argus

This ARGUS is for the people's rights,
Doth an eternal vigil keep

No soothing strains of Maia's sons
Can lull its hundred eyes to sleep.

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GOSSIP OF THE WORLD.

ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM DIVERS SOURCES.

News of the Stage, Social, Political and Otherwise, Culled From Our Exchanges.

The hot July is history only. It may worry the historians, but it can no longer bake the people.

Elijah was a drouth breaker, but no one thought of sending for Dowie while the dry weather continued.

The Duty Free cigar is coming from Porto Rico. It is to be a hummer both in price and flavor. What it lacks in the former will be made good in the latter.

Fifty whisky casks are to be set afloat in Bering Straits in order to test the currents, but when the natives see firewater casks afloat they will be filled with a wild desire to test their contents.

A new York writer comes to the front with advice to young people to marry early. Perhaps on the theory that when they find out their mistake they will have more time in which to live it down.

King Edward has now rummaged the garret and found a lot of old furniture which seems to be of no earthly use to anybody, so he will give a few more American snobs a chance to show their loyalty.

That death in the sultan's harem the other day was his third bereavement in the past five years. The mortality rate among the sultan's wives can thus be arrived at—there are 297 left, according to the last count.

Dr. Karl Peters, the explorer, is reported to have discovered, in the district of Umatali, Rhodesia, a curiously carved image engraved with Assyrian or Egyptian hieroglyphics. Careful examination has convinced him that he possesses the key to the solution of the mystery as to who were the ancient workers of the mines in the country.

The Bismark monument in Dortmund will have to be a more modest affair than had been expected. A wealthy Deputy named Otto promised 50,000 marks for it, provided 25,000 more were raised. But when that sum had been collected it was found that in the meantime Herr Otto had lost his fortune through the failure of a commercial company so that he had to withdraw his offer.

The European powers will have the heartfelt sympathy of the United States in their difficulties with the Turkish Government. Russia requests the Sultan to release the Serbians recently arrested in Albania. The Turk, after his habit, agreed to comply. Nevertheless he continued making arrests as if nothing had happened; also according to his habit France and some other powers are forwarding representatives to the Porte about various matters, all protests being received with "the utmost serenity."

A report comes from The Hague that the Boers are taking steps to end the war. As the government of Holland would be likely to know about such negotiations, if they are in prospect, probability is loaned to the rumor on account of its source, and also because a continuation of the struggle does not seem to promise any change in the result. The issue of strength has been taken and has been decided, so that nothing else remains but a treaty of peace. That now is the most humane and sensible course, and if the new Premier of the Dutch Government shall determine to mediate to this end he will do a useful service to his kin and to all the other inhabitants of South Africa who have suffered so long from this distressing war.

Lord Abergut, speaking at a recent meeting of the Selborne society, expressed the fear that the wholesale destruction of primroses and cowslips, if not checked would lead to their disappearance from the list of wild flowering plants in Great Britain.

The Locomotive, published by the Hartford Steam Boiler Inspection and Insurance company, gives the total number of boiler explosions in 1900 as 373, 10 less than recorded in 1899. There were 333 in 1898 as well as in 1899, 369 in 1897 and 346 in 1896.

Western Australia has in York a well known pastoral district which bears a peculiarly appropriate name in association with the visit to Australasia of the Duke and Duchess of Cornwall and York. It was first peopled by immigrants mainly from Yorkshire.

A camera fiend in British Columbia while endeavoring to take a photograph at the extreme edge of a cliff made a misstep and fell 100 feet into the water below. On his way down he pressed the button. The resultant picture, he declares, is the best in his collection.

The influx of settlers to the Kansas wheat belt in the last three years has caused land to raise 20 per cent in price, and land which in 1892 sold for \$500 a quarter section cannot now be had for \$3,000. In and around Wichita wheat belt farms sell for \$4,000 each and even higher.

Pope Leo XIII has reorganized his historic bodyguard. These gentlemen always accompany the pope in his walks and attend him at all public functions. Leo XIII has increased the corps from 80 to 340 in number and has placed them at the head of the Vatican troops.

Since the Louisiana and Texas farmers learned to raise rice by irrigation they have invested \$5,000,000 in 1,500 miles of canals, capable of flooding 800,000 acres, and spent \$1,700,000 in building 30 modern rice mills. Under the new system rice lands pay a net profit of \$15 an acre.

According to Arnold White, an English critic, the inhabitants of the British Isles are degenerating physically. He bases his conclusions on the results of recruiting for the Boer war. In the Manchester district alone 8,000 out of 11,000 men who offered themselves for military service were certified unfit to endure a soldier's life.

Sponge fishing is a Cuban industry which has developed very rapidly on the southern coast of Havana province. About 15 years ago a Greek sailor who was the first to see the advantages which could be reaped from sponge fishing began the development of this industry. Today the exports of sponges from Batubano amount to \$1,000,000 a year.

A new whisky bottle contains a float which sinks as the spirit is extracted, always remaining on the surface, but if any other liquid is added the position of the float is altered. It will sink below the surface if any other fluid is added to the whisky. This is intended to prevent dishonest persons from taking some of the contents and replacing with water.

Steps are being taken for the erection in Dundee, Scotland, of a granite monument over the grave of James Bowman Lindsay, who died there 40 years ago. Mr. Lindsay was a student of electricity, having reached such a stage in his investigation as warranted him in writing a pamphlet on the subject of telegraphing without wires. In 1854 he transmitted telegraphic signals through water, sending them across the harbor of Dundee.

Very remarkable enterprise is being shown at the Bristol channel ports in dock building. At Cardiff and Llanelly there are docks under construction costing £1,500,000 and £200,000 respectively, and from Bristol, Swansea and Newport bills have been promoted for extensions costing £1,800,000 and £1,750,000 and £750,000. All this is in addition to six undertakings of the same kind furnished within the last 13 years, and it will bring up the recent expenditure at Bristol channel ports to close upon £12,000,000.

And Tillman did it with his little pitchfork.

Dowie must be on a lion hunt—he's lost.

If King Ed is hard up for a title he might call himself a Dodo.

We are not surprised after seeing a picture of Historian Maclay.

The Chinese have turned in and gone to looting what is left.

The century opens with five-day ships.

Tillman is laughing—it's up his sleeve.

Riches have wings, but they do not fly our way.

Poor Teddy! He had to see his presidential boom started in Kansas.

South Georgia persists in its desire to become the gubernatorial belt.

WALTER LETTER.

A Chronicle of a Week's Events in That Thriving Neighborhood.

Miss Bessie Swinson left last week a visit to relatives at Magnolia.

Mrs. Jno. West, from Cary, N. C., is on a visit to Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Neal.

Miss Effie Lynch, from University Station, is visiting her cousins, the Misses Neal.

Mrs. Chas. Peterson returned home to-day from a visit to relatives in Wilmington.

Mrs. Laura Andrews and children returned home to-day from a visit to Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Becton.

Miss Gertrude Thompson returned home last week from an extended visit to relatives in Raleigh.

Miss Sudie Howell from your city spent last week with Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Howell, near here.

Miss Ora Whitley, from Black Creek, is lending her charms to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Yelverton.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Lynch who have many friends in our community, spent last Friday with Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Howell.

Messrs. Ham Caldwell and Bill Thompson, left last Saturday for a two weeks outing near Charlotte, on a visit to relatives.

Miss Lalla Smith, who has been adding pleasure to the home of Miss Sallie Woodard, of your city, returned home Saturday.

Mrs. Dr. Jordon, from Raleigh, is on a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Sasser, where her many friends are glad to see her.

The Sunday school at Ebenezer will have a picnic in the grove at the Chapel next Thursday, the 8th, and a delightful day is anticipated.

Messrs. Will Harkey and Dr. J. M. Riley, from Lexington, N. C., were pleasant visitors at "Oak Glen" last week on their return from Morehead.

Mr. Ed. Gurley and children visited relatives over the river last week, where Mr. Gurley went to help nurse Mr. Marion Lynch who is very sick with fever.

A moonlight picnic, given by Misses Mattie and Dixie Lee Caldwell, at "Southern Oaks," was an occasion of much enjoyment to our young people last Friday night.

Quite a novel game for this community, known as "basket ball," has been organized with Mr. Will Hines director, he being the originator of the game here, having been quite an expert player at Rollins College, Winter Park, Fla., where he attended school. A good time is expected as soon as the ball arrives.

The fishing contest between Messrs Jim Wood and Jno. Ezum, for the championship which we went to Morehead last week to witness, was called off on account of the latter failing to be on hand, and resulting in judgment being rendered in favor of Mr. Wood. If we had of had our worm good and some flat heads, we would have spit on our bait and taken friend Ezum's place.

Lightning struck a small walnut tree at Mr. Charlie Tolers tobacco barn Monday afternoon, near Oakland, under which several were stringing tobacco, killing Mrs. Sanders Tolers and daughter, Miss Lillie, instantly and severely shocking Lizzie and Geneva, two others of the children, and also Mrs. Charlie Tolers, a sister of deceased, Miss Margaret Howell and Messrs. Hanson and Temple Sasser. Mrs. Tolers was a daughter of Mr. Richard Howell, and was a good woman, noted for her kindness of heart and cheerful disposition. Miss Lillie was a young lady just merging into womanhood and was ever ready to lend a helping hand in making lighter the burdens of her fond mother. To the heart-broken and bereaved husband and venerable father and family, we extend our sincere sympathy. Surely "God moves in a mysterious way, His wonders to perform."

KILLICKINICK
"Oak Glen",
Walter, N. C., August 7, 1901.

MT. OLIVE LETTER.

A Week's Happenings of the Mt Olive Section.

ARGUS BUREAU,
August 7, 1901.

Miss May Bell is visiting relatives at Rose Hill this week.

Mr. Dan Kornegay is visiting relatives at Bowdens' this week.

Mr. F. H. Tomlinson, of Wilmington, was visiting here Sunday.

Mr. Walter Flowers, of Goldsboro, was visiting relatives here Sunday.

Miss Lillie McIntyre, of Rocky Mount, was visiting relatives here Sunday.

Mr. Ross Giddens, of Goldsboro, was visiting relatives here Sunday.

Miss Ada Wooten, of Greenville, is the guest of Miss Annie Flowers.

Mr. John Loftin, of Birmingham, Ala., is visiting relatives here this week.

Miss Clyde Smith, of Goldsboro, is visiting relatives here for several days.

Miss Maria Loftin, of Bowdens, is the guest of the Misses English this week.

Miss Carrie Hussey, of Warsaw, was visiting relatives here several days last week.

Col. C. S. Wooten, of La Grange, is visiting his sister, Mrs. J. F. Oliver this week.

Miss Bessie Herring, of Clinton, is the guest of her brother, Dr. G. A. Herring this week.

Mr. B. B. Witherington, of Faison, was visiting relatives here several days last week.

Mr. Tom McGee and wife, of Goldsboro, is the guest of their daughter, Mrs. M. T. Breazell.

Mr. W. P. Kornegay and family after visiting relatives for three weeks in LaGrange, returned home Monday.

We are sorry to note that Mrs. S. A. Wooten is very sick, and her many friends wish for her a speedy recovery.

Mr. George A. McGee, of Goldsboro, has accepted a position as salesman with Messrs. Blount & Keel.

Greenleaf Items.

Mr. E. C. Boomer was visiting in our section last week.

Mr. Dosey Strickland, who has been very sick with fever, is improving.

Mrs. J. H. Johnson was visiting her brother Mr. J. B. Ham, Tuesday.

Mr. Ed Davis, of this place, is off with the Rifles for the encampment.

Mr. John Lancaster, of the Patetown section, was visiting here Sunday.

Mr. Alex Casey and wife Mary were visiting her brother Mr. H. D. Ham last week.

Miss Dixie Pate, of Dudley, is visiting at Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Howell's this week.

Miss Birdie Koonce, of Trenton, was visiting at the Rev. J. M. Benson's last Thursday.

Rev. G. D. Langston, from Durham, is visiting at his nephew's, Mr. Geo. W. Langston.

Mr. Clarence Benson and sister Miss Sallie and the Misses Mollie and Ellie Edgerton attended an ice cream supper at the home of

Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Paschall, Thursday night.

Mr. Fred Mayo and Miss Bettie Smith, from the Eureka section, were visiting at Mr. R. W. Edgerton's Monday.

Our neighbor, Mr. Jno. C. Bardin, is off on Pipkins excursion to Washington and Baltimore. We wish him a pleasant trip.

Mr. R. E. Baker, the contractor, is making rapid progress on the Casino Club Building at the old Fair Ground Park. "We go forward." JAY.

COMMISSIONERS COURT.

August 5th, 1901.

The Board met in regular session, present C F Herring, chairman, J P Smith and Elijah Edwards.

Accounts were audited and allowed to:

A A Grantham, work on bidge, \$27 00; Pleasant Dawn, burying pan, 3 00; Enterprise Lum Co, bidge lum, 287 96; E A Stevens, listing Grantham taxes, 27 00; G L Johnson, wire for bidge, 3 60; M Jinnett, rep bidge, 3 50; W J Perkins, rep bidge, and lum, 45 00; J H Hill and J W Gulick, Goldsboro tax list, 123 00; S C Casey, bidge lum, 7 62; C C Pearson, bidge lum and rep, 10 00; D Jernigan, al in settlement of tax, 3 30; W A Sasser, bidge lum, 7 42; J T Lane, bary pan, 3 00; Goldsboro Argus, sundry ac filed, 14 50; Goldsboro Hard Co, for county, 1 60; Glds Elec Light Co, for jail, 6 00; Dr Thos Hill, Coroner, ac filed, 5 00; Edwards & Broughton, stationery, 14 40; G C Kornegay, Rrg, ac filed, 28 05; Geo Floare, bidge lum, 4 89; J W Lamb, for county, 12 50; J W Thompson, record book, 1 30; L A Lancaster, pan in Grantham township, 5 00; E M Head, July poor house ac, 41 40; J A Scott, work on road, 4 55; B F Scott, Sheriff, accounts filed, 81 75; A T Uzzill Jr expenses of lunatic 13 15; A M Shrago clothing for lunatic 6 75; James Price burying pauper 2 00; Chas Harrell care of insane pauper 3 87; Irene Hinson pauper 1 00; F D Perkins, Whitehall bridge repairs 6 00; Willis Heath, pauper 1 00; G W Edgerton, bidge lumber 5 85; Best & Thompson, for county 6 47; U S Pate, bidge lumber 5 07; W K Parker & Co., July poor house ac 22 47; J R Jinnett, bidge lumber 2 50; J P Smith & Son, county supplies 27 82; Dr Wm Spicer, July health supt. salary 28 34; H D Parker, bidge guard 1 00; J C Howell, Fork fence supt. 7 40; Penny Bass, pauper 1 00; M B Herring, Whitehall bidge guard 7 00; P R Peacock, bidge lumber 5 80; E E Harpon, bidge guard and draw 5 50; W R Hollowell, pauper 2 00.

The following were elected cotton weighers for the ensuing year:

For Fremont—C. D. Hooks.
For Mount Olive—James A. Smith.
For Goldsboro—McD. Smith, W. G. Collier, M. E. Brogden, T. H. Hall, and the price of weighing fixed at 5 cents per bale.
Petition for a new road from Goldsboro to or near Salem continued to September meeting.
S. P. Strickland & Co. granted retail liquor license at Fremont.
The Board then adjourned.
Published by order of the Board. G. C. KORNEGAY, Clerk, etc.

DOWAGER EMPRESS DEAD.

The Royal Family Assembled Around Her Bedside—End Comes Suddenly.

Cronberg, August 5.—The Dowager Empress died at 6:15 p. m. this evening, somewhat suddenly. At 4 o'clock her physicians reported no change in her condition. Emperor William and Her Majesty's other children, and the Empress Augusta Victoria were in the sick room most of the day. They were all around the bedside when the Dowager Empress passed away quietly. Professors Renvers and Spieghagen also were in the room. The flag on the castle was immediately half masted.

At 8 o'clock this evening Emperor William conducted the members of the Dowager Empress's household into the death chamber, and led them, one by one, past the bedside, to take a last farewell look of their mistress.

Closely following the announcement of the death from the castle, the church bells were tolled and the flags half masted. Visitors to the castle began inscribing their names in a book placed for the purpose in the hall. It is said that the cause of death was dropsy, accompanying the cancer. The remarkable vitality of the Dowager Empress astonished her physicians. She retained consciousness to the end. The castle grounds are now surrounded by soldiers and patrolled by Hussars and mounted police.

Soon after nightfall, Emperor William, accompanied by the Empress and the Crown Prince, drove back to Homburg. Whether the body will lie in state has not yet been determined. The details for its removal to be interred by the side of the remains of Emperor Frederick will be discussed in Homburg to-morrow.

The Dowager Empress knew her days were few. She had said farewell to most of her servants. It is understood that she has arranged for the future of nearly every one of them.

Edward Receives the News.

Cowes, August 5.—King Edward received the official news of the death of Dowager Empress Frederick on board the Royal yacht, almost simultaneously with the receipt of the Associated Press dispatch in London. The yacht's flag was immediately half masted.

King Edward and Queen Alexandra will leave here for Marlborough House to-morrow. It is not likely they will start for Berlin until Wednesday.

Washington, August 5.—A dispatch was received at the State Department to-day from Ambassador White, announcing the death of the Dowager Empress of Germany. The dispatch was sent to the President at Canton.

The Courts Invoked.

Washington, Aug. 2.—Percy Zadoka, a member of the Wichita tribe of Indians and a resident of Oklahoma Territory, to-day filed a petition in the Supreme Court of the District asking for an injunction to restrain Ethan Allen Hitchcock, in his official capacity as Secretary of the Interior, from throwing open a certain section of land in Oklahoma for settlement. The petitioner is joined by his wife, Nannie Zadoka, a white woman, who is an adopted member of the Wichita tribe of Indians. Besides the petitioners named, ten others have also filed similar petitions.